



Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

City of Dripping Springs Council Chambers

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Fushille called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Paul Fushille, Chair

Matt Fougerat, Vice Chair

Hope Boatright

Kristy Caldwell (*arrived at 6:14 p.m.*)

Dustin Cloutier

Joe Wright (*left at 6:52 p.m.*)

Christian Krueger

Commission Members absent were:

Olivia Barnard

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

Deputy City Secretary Cathy Gieselman

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the Commission on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the Commission that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak and may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the Commission must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least nine (9) copies; if nine (9) copies are not provided, the Commission will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Chair may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

- 1. Approval of the January 17, 2024, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Fougerat to approve the January 17, 2024, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Boatright seconded the motion which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 2. Discuss and consider approval of the construction of a Founders Memorial Park monument sign by Cannon Ranch at the intersection of Ranch Road 12 and Founders Park Road.**

Michelle Fischer presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright to recommend approval to City Council for the construction of a Founders Memorial Park monument sign by Cannon Ranch at the intersection of Ranch Road 12 and Founders Park Road using the same company for construction, *Southwest Monument*; and that the advertising logos be removed or assessed, not to exceed five (5) years. Commissioner Cloutier seconded the motion which carried unanimously 6 to 0.

- 3. Discuss and consider possible action regarding an Eagle Scout Project for the installation of a Chimney Swift Tower at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. Applicant: Cadel Beasley**

Applicant, Cadel Beasley, thanked the Commission and presented his proposal. Cadel and Master Naturalist, Tina Adkins, addressed questions from the Commissioners. Proposal is on file. Commissioners requested that Cadel report back to the Commission once installed.

A motion was made by Chair Fushille to approve the Eagle Scout Project for the installation of a Chimney Swift Tower at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. Vice Chair Fougerat seconded the motion which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- 3. Discuss and consider City Council recommendation regarding Amendments to Youth Programs Standards of Care, Parks and Community Services Ordinance Division 3.**

Andy Binz presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of changes to Article 16.02 Parks and Recreation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright to approve the recommendation to City Council regarding Amendments to Youth Program Standards of Care, Parks and Community Services Ordinance Division 3 to include the edits as presented. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion which carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- 4. Discuss and consider the appointment of a Budget Committee for Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Recommendation.**

Vice Chair Fushille and Commissioners Caldwell and Krueger volunteered to serve on the Budget Committee for Fiscal Year 2025 Budget recommendations.

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reports listed are on file and available for review upon request. The Commission may provide staff direction; however, no action shall be taken.

- 5. Parks & Community Services Director's Report**
Andy Binz, PCS Director

Andy Binz provided the Director's report which is on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the City's Parks. The Commission may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

- 7. Charro Ranch Park**
Commissioners Fushille & Fougerat
- 8. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioner Boatright
- 9. Founders Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioners Barnard & Wright
- 10. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park**
Commissioners Caldwell, Fushille & Fougerat
- 11. Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners Cloutier & Krueger
- 12. Veterans Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioner Caldwell

Andy Binz provided an update and addressed questions from Commissioners regarding the preparation for the upcoming Eclipse on April 8th.

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

The Commission did not meet in Closed Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings

March 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

May 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

April 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

April 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

May 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

May 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Cathy Gieselman noted that the March meetings for City Council were not included on the agenda; the March meetings for City Council are March 5th and March 19th.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vice Chair Fougerat to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Boatright seconded the motion which carried 6 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.